## UPTOWN URBAN CENTER / UPPER QUEEN ANNE RESIDENTIAL URBAN VILLAGE

DRAFT STATUS REPORT: Highlight of Neighborhood Plan and Statistics

2009

#### NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

#### Vision

Queen Anne, a varied and exciting community in the heart of the city, is embarking on a planning process to achieve a future with:

- A unique community character, both physical and social, which expresses its history, extraordinary assets and talented people;
- A sense of community and cohesiveness, marked by friendliness, communication and caring for each another:
- A community of active and engaged people, striving to meet local recreational, social, educational and service needs;
- Varied housing opportunities for a diverse population, especially including strong single family neighborhoods and attractive multifamily neighborhoods;
- Pleasant and safe streets and paths that encourage walking and bicycling;
- A sense of stewardship toward and awareness of the natural environment;
- Convenient access by transit and car, both within the community and to other areas;
- Vital commercial areas meeting local needs and, where suitable, regional needs for goods, services, entertainment, recreation and jobs;
- Attractive parks and natural areas for active recreation and quiet enjoyment;
- A feeling that persons and property are safe; and
- A vibrant Seattle Center, as both a valuablecommunity resource and a premier regional amenity.

### **Key Strategies**

- A. <u>Uptown Park Neighborhood</u> concentrates multifamily development, streetscaping, a park, and other amenities to create a residential neighborhood in Uptown west of Seattle Center.
- B. <u>Uptown Center</u> is seen as a thriving and active mixed-use neighborhood, where everything comes together.
- C. <u>Counterbalance</u> envisions that an electric trolley bus will ascend and descend Queen Anne Hill to connect businesses and residences in Upper Queen Anne, Uptown and Seattle Center.
- D. Queen Anne Bicycle Beltway will provide a commuting alternative and recreation amenity by completing a comprehensive system of bicycle facilities that encircle Queen Anne.
- E. <u>Elliott Bay Access</u> will reclaim access to Elliott Bay shoreline from Queen Anne.
- F. <u>Crown of Queen Anne</u> will revitalize historic Queen Anne Boulevard as an urban trail and needed recreational amenity.
- G. Good neighbor Seattle Center seeks to balance the community and Center needs by defining a series of mobility strategies to be included in the Seattle Center Master Plan and Queen Anne Neighborhood Plan.



Counterbalance Park

### **Community Investment**

- Council adopted the Uptown and Queen Anne Neighborhood Design Guidelines.
- With fundraising help from community Parks completed the Counterbalance Park: An Urban Oasis in July, 2008. It is a sophisticated and elegant park and gateway to Uptown.
- SDOT has completed numerous pedestrian safety improvements at intersections including: Queen Anne Ave. and Roy St.; Queen Anne Ave. and Galer St.; and Queen Anne Dr and 4th Ave N.
- The Mayor approved amendments to the Commercial Code in March, 2009 to clarify and better carry out the intent of the 2006 Neighborhood Business District Strategy. Changes include clarification of development standards, revisions to height exceptions for specific situations, improvements to Seattle Green Factor landscaping standards, and clarification of parking requirements.
- In 2002 DON established the Magnolia/Queen Anne Neighborhood Service Center in the old City Light building on Roy St. The Center, that also houses Uptown Alliance, and offices for State Senator Jean Kohl-Wells and King County Council Member Larry Phillips recently moved across the street and continues to provide a place for people to connect with their community and government.
- Working with the community and using Neighborhood Matching Fund and Pro Parks funds, Parks completed improvements at Ward Springs Park and converted the old pump station building for small community gatherings.
- SDOT is scheduled to complete the Ship Canal Trail in spring 2009 to connect the Emerson Street Bike path (and Myrtle Edwards trail) with the Fremont Bridge, South Lake Union. The 2008 Parks and Greenspaces Levy will fund another section on the southern side of Queen Anne.
- Thomas Street Pedestrian Bridge project has reached the 60% design.
  The overpass will provide pedestrian and bicycle access across the
  railroad tracks, over Elliott Ave W to W Thomas St. SDOT is aggressively
  pursuing final funding and opportunities to reduce the construction
  costs. If funding is secured, SDOT anticipates that construction will occur by mid-2010.
- Since completion of the Plan, Parks has undertaken numerous improvements along Queen Anne Boulevard, beginning with sidewalk installation along the historic Wilcox Wall on the west side of Queen Anne. The Pro Park Levy funded installation and replacement of walkways, and removal of fences and other impediments along the Boulevard. The 2008 Parks and Greenspaces Levy will fund additional Boulevard work.

#### Web Links

Neighborhood Plans: WWW.SEATTLE.GOV/NEIGHBORHOODS/NPI/PLANS Neighborhood Status Reports: WWW.SEATTLE.GOV/DPD/PLANNING/ NEIGHBORHOOD\_PLANNING/STATUSREPORT

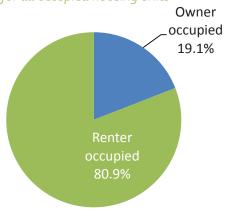
# **UPTOWN HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT**Source: 2000 Census and Washington State and Employment Security Department

### Comprehensive Plan 2024 Growth Targets

		Households (HH)				Employment (Jobs)			
Uptown Source: Comprehensive Plan	Area in Acres	Existing (2004)	Existing Density (HH/Ac)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/ Ac.)	Existing (2002)	Existing Density (Jobs/Ac.)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/ Ac.)
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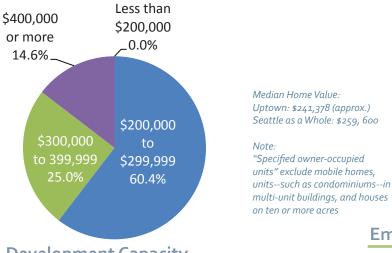
### Renter/Owner

for all occupied housing units



#### Home Value

for specified owner-occupied units



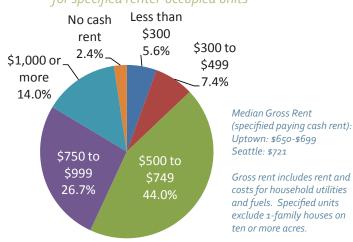
### **Development Capacity**

#### calculated as of 2007

Housing	4,820 units			
Commercial	2,706,152 (square feet)			
Jobs	9,021			

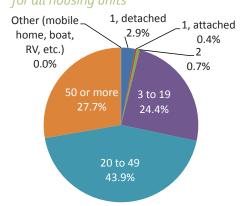
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for specified renter-occupied units

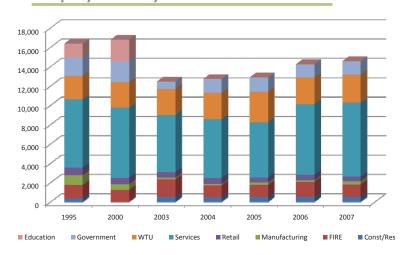


### **Number of Units in Structure**

#### for all housing units



### **Employment by Sector**

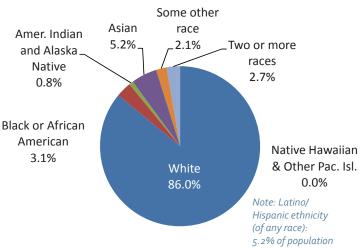


### UPTOWN DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

Source: 2000 Census and Washington State and Employment Security Department

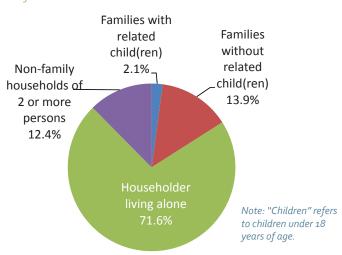
Population	2000	2007*
*estimate	4,474	5,426

#### Race

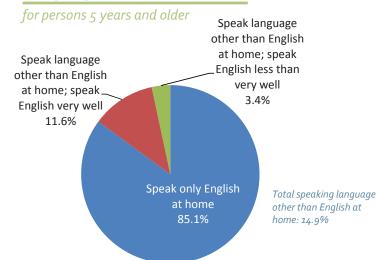


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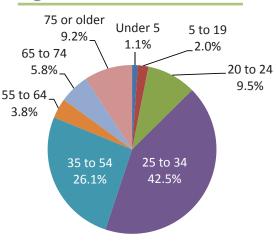
for all households



### Language Spoken at Home



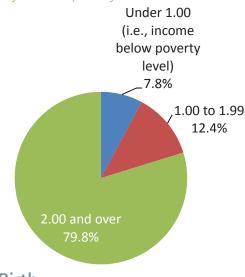
#### Age



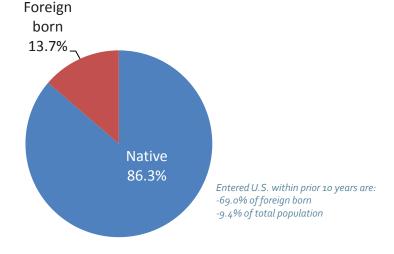
Children (<18): 2.0% of pop. Seniors (65 +): 15.0% of pop.

### Ratio of Income to Poverty

for persons for whom poverty status is determined



#### Place of Birth



### UPPER QUEEN ANNE HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT

Source: 2000 Census and Washington State and Employment Security Department

### Comprehensive Plan 2024 Growth Targets

	Land	Households (HH)			Employment (Jobs)				
Upper Queen Anne Source: Comprehensive Plan	Area in Acres	Existing (2004)	Existing Density (HH/Ac)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/ Ac.)	Existing (2002)	Existing Density (Jobs/Ac.)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/ Ac.)
	53	1,446	27	200	31	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

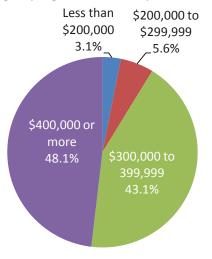
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#### Home Value

for specified owner-occupied units



#### Median Home Value:

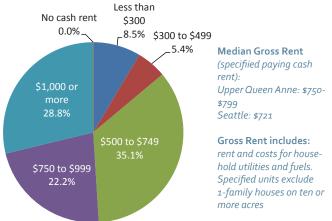
Upper Queen Anne: \$395, 651 Seattle as a Whole: \$259, 600

#### Note:

"Specified owner-occupied units" exclude mobile homes, units--such as condominiums--in multi-unit buildings, and houses on ten or more acres

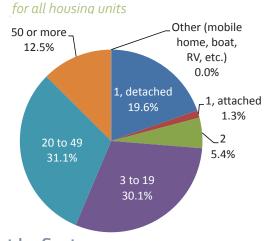
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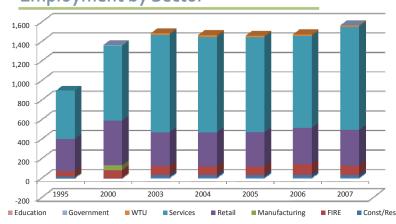


### **Development Capacity**

calculated as of 2007

Housing	710 units			
Commercial	27,450 (square feet)			
Jobs	92			

### **Employment by Sector**



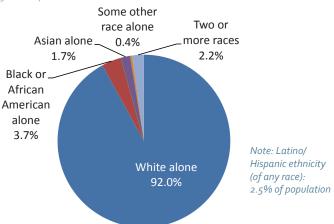
### UPPER QUEEN ANNE DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

Source: 2000 Census and Washington State and Employment Security Department

Population	2000	2007*
*estimate	1,743	1,818

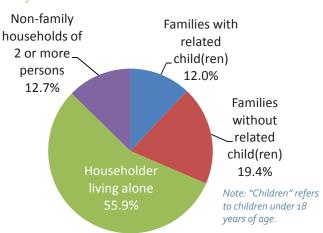
#### Race

#### for all persons



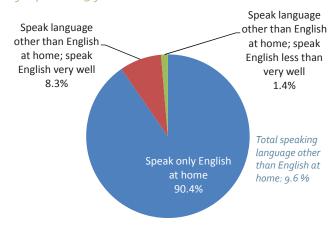
### **Household Type**

#### for all households

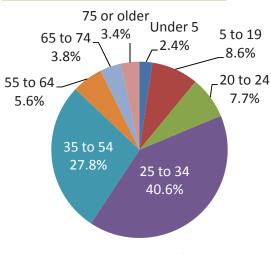


### Language Spoken at Home

#### for persons 5 years and older



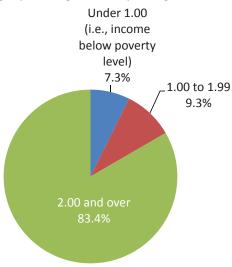
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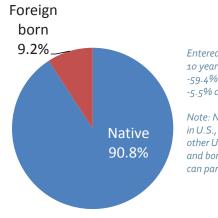
Children (<18): 10.8 % of pop. Seniors (65 +): 7.3% of pop.

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#### Place of Birth



Entered U.S. within prior 10 years are: -59.4% of foreign born -5.5% of total population

Note: Native includes born in U.S., Puerto Rico and other U.S. island areas, and born abroad to American parents.



## **Queen Anne**

**Urban Village** 

Neighborhood Plan Area \_\_\_\_\_At-Grade / Aerial

Aerial Photo: 2007

LINK Light Rail

**\*** Stations

Tunnel



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